

REMARKS/ARGUMENTS

This case has been carefully reviewed and analyzed, and reconsideration and favorable action is respectfully requested.

DRAWING OBJECTION

The drawings were originally objected to under 37 CFR 1.83(a). The drawings must show every feature of the invention specified in the claims. Therefore, the features of each of the buses including a plurality of co-axially arranged cables as claimed in claim 1 must be shown or the features canceled from the claim. No new matter should be entered.

Responsive to this, claim 1 is amended to cancel the features of each of the buses including a plurality of co-axially arranged cables in accordance with the Examiner's instruction and it is believed that the objection should be removed.

CLAIM OBJECTION

Claims 2 and 16 were originally objected to because of some informalities.

Responsive to this, claims 2 and 16 are amended according to the Examiner's instruction and suggestion, and it is believed that the objections should be removed.

CLAIM REJECTION UNDER 35 U.S.C. 112

Claims 1-18 were originally rejected under 35 U.S.C. 112, first paragraph, as failing to comply with the enablement requirement. The claim(s) contains subject matter which was not described in the specification in such a way as to enable one skilled in the art to which it pertains, or with which it is most nearly connected, to

make and/or use the invention.

Responsive to this, the specification and claim 1 are amended according to the Examiner's instructions. Therefore, it is believed that, by the amendments, the rejection under 35 U.S.C. 112, first paragraph should be removed.

CLAIM REJECTION UNDER 35 U.S.C. 102(b)

Claims 1, 2, 4, 7-9 and 12 were originally rejected under 35 U.S.C. 102(b) as being anticipated by Steele (US-4,835,394).

CLAIM REJECTION UNDER 35 U.S.C. 103(a)

Claims 3, 5, 6, 10, 11, 13, 17 and 18 were originally rejected under 35 U.S.C. 103(a) as being unpatentable over Steele.

However, the Examiner has pointed out that claims 14-16 are objected to as being dependent upon a rejected base claim, but would be allowable if rewritten in independent form including all of the limitations of the base claim and any intervening claims.

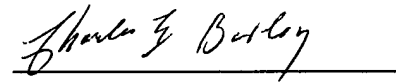
Responsive to this, claims 13 and 14 are deleted, and claim 1 is amended which is substantially the combination of original claims 1, 13 and 14 so as to make the claimed invention more distinguishably patentable over the prior art reference cited by the Examiner.

Accordingly, by the amendments, it is believed that the rejections under 35 U.S.C. 102(b) and 103(a) should be withdrawn, and the amended claim 1 should be allowable.

It is further submitted the claims 2-12 and 15-18 should be allowable as they are dependent upon the amended claim 1 which is believed to be allowable.

In view of the foregoing amendments and remarks, Applicant submits that the application is now in a condition for allowance and such action is respectfully requested. If any points remain in issue, which the Examiner feels could best be resolved by either a personal or a telephone interview, he is urged to contact Applicant's attorney at the exchange listed below.

Respectfully submitted,

A handwritten signature in cursive script, reading "Charles E. Baxley", is written over a horizontal line.

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